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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Before examination, please amend this application as follows

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 14, please **REPLACE** the paragraph beginning at line 23, with the following:

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--Fig. 3 describes a specific implementation including a validation procedure as described in the patent application "A SYSTEM AND A METHOD RELATING TO ACCESS CONTROL", Application No. 09/976,500 filed in the US on October 12, 2001 and the content of which herewith is incorporated herein by reference. With reference to Fig. 3 it is supposed that an information requesting application 10₁ wants to pull (get) information from an information providing application 10₁, without knowing where to find the information itself. In this implementation it is supposed that communication with the central server means is provided by the access means 11₁ interfacing the requesting application 10₁. The advantage of such an implementation is that a fast response is obtained from the privacy network, i.e. from the central server means 30₁, as to whether the requested transaction is possible, without even having to involve the access means 21₁ of the information providing